



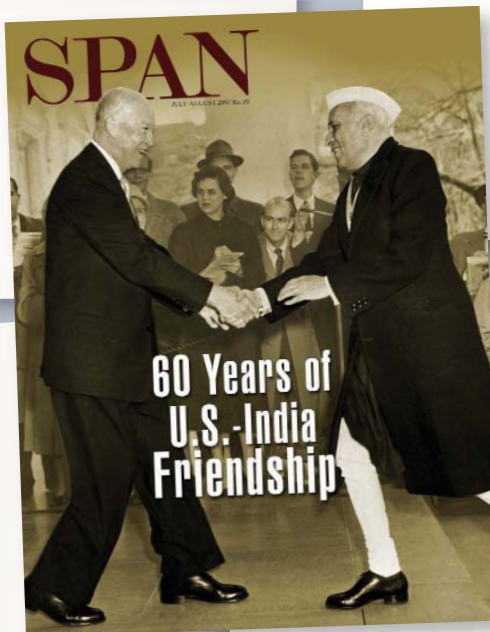
M.N. Sankaran *Madurai, Tamil Nadu*

I read very valuable information in the July/August 2007 issue about the independence we obtained in 1947. I learnt for the first time how President Franklin D. Roosevelt tried to change the mind of Sir Winston Churchill during and before World War II. It is very surprising to see that President Roosevelt, even at the cost of the relationship with Britain, insisted on getting the opinion of Indian leaders, Mohandas K. Gandhi, Jawaharlal Nehru, Vallabhbhai Patel and Abul Kalam Azad to get the support of Indians in favor of the Allied Powers in the war.

All the articles in this issue are really worth reading and due to my curiosity I have read the articles twice as each sentence had so much information. This issue is worth preserving for my life.

Neeraj Govil *New Delhi*

The special segment on the 60 years of U.S.-India relations was truly marvelous and enriching. The segment was brilliantly conceived and executed, with the article by Stanley Wolpert as its crowning glory.



Ranjan Gupta *Gurgaon, Haryana*

It is odd that while you published the pictures of several U.S. Ambassadors to India in your issue on 60 years of U.S.-India friendship, you have not published the photograph of Richard Celeste and his wife, Jacqueline Lundquist. They were probably the most popular American ambassadorial couple in recent times, whose friendships went well beyond official circles, which is the hallmark of a good diplomat.

Neil D'Cunha *Mumbai, Maharashtra*

As a keen scholar of Indian history, particularly about my nation's struggle for freedom from British rule, the articles in the July/August 2007 issue were a great revelation for me. I was surprised that there was a global effort by people of Indian origin who contributed toward our political freedom. I felt good as well as indebted to the United States for its great contribution toward my nation's freedom. But I would like to gently remind my American friends that the debt was repaid when our Gandhian philosophy was applied by Martin Luther King, Jr. and others to free the Colored from racial discrimination. I fully believe in the saying, "Good is always returned with good."

S. Raghunatha Prabhu *Alappuzha, Kerala*

I have been almost a regular reader of SPAN for a quarter of a century. I think I know, by reading, more of the U.S. than of India. Reading "An Indian's Bus Journey Across America" and "Yellowstone: In the Beginning" made me feel as if I have had a tour of those places. Guest essays on 60 years of U.S.-India friendship were very informative and illuminating. The photographs of former U.S. and Indian Ambassadors were a collector's delight.



K.E. Eapen *Bangalore, Karnataka*

While enjoying Sebastian John's "An Indian's Bus Journey Across America," I recollected my odyssey of 1957-58 when I was working for small-town newspapers varying from *The Republican Eagle* in Red Wing, Minnesota, to *The Daily Inter Lake* in Kalispell, Montana. I was armed with a Greyhound ticket of \$120, valid for six months, to halt and work for papers in Durango, Colorado; Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; Mt. Vernon, Washington etc., and zigzag through Seattle, San Francisco, Los Angeles and Memphis back to Indianapolis, from where I had begun in November 1957. Nice to regurgitate while young at 84 years.

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